

May Ceremony Honors Fallen Heroes

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Hampton, Va. – "A nation reveals itself not only by the men it produces, but also by the men it honors, the men it remembers." These words spoken by President John F. Kennedy take on additional significance each Memorial Day. On May 30, 2016, the Hampton Roads community will gather for a Memorial Day ceremony to honor the men and women who sacrificed their lives in this nations' defense. The one hour observance is open to the public and will take place rain or shine.

The ceremony begins at 10 a.m. on the grounds of the Hampton National Cemetery located adjacent to Hampton University, at the intersection of Cemetery Road and Marshall Avenue. A joint military color guard will participate in the ceremony, along with the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command Brass Quintet from Fort Eustis, Virginia. Military representatives from each branch of the armed service will place wreaths at the headstones of service members laid to rest at the cemetery.

Hampton National Cemetery may be accessed from I-64, Exit 267, Settlers Landing Road, in Hampton. Proceed onto the Hampton University on East Tyler Street and stay straight. Make the second left onto Cemetery Road at the traffic light and proceed straight through the campus gate to the cemetery. For more information call 757-723-7104.